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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE ON SURINAME CALL FOR  
COOPERATION UNDER SHIPRIDER AGREEMENT

REF: PARAMARIBO 46

[1](#)1. This cable is an action request --- see paragraph 2.

[1](#)2. (SBU) On January 19 Suriname's Attorney General Subhas Punwasi publicly made a plea for the U.S. to expand its bilateral cooperation with Suriname by taking better advantage of the "Shiprider" Agreement, which entered into force in August 1999. (See reftel). The Government of Suriname (GOS) has not requested a specific type of assistance under the agreement, but has issued a general appeal for increased cooperation. Ambassador Marsha Barnes will meet with Attorney General Punwasi next week, therefore the Embassy requests immediate guidance on how to respond to GOS request.

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